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LOCAL ITEMS

Happy New Year to everybody.

Well, except for the election, old 1922 wasn't so bad.

A December thunder storm and rain Tuesday night.

Our schools are taking a two-week Christmas vacation.

Misses Helen and Kathleen Allison are home for the holidays.

The Journal is a day late, but, then, Christmas comes but once a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Jenkins of St. Louis are Christmas visitors here.

Miss Roshalee Flynn is home from school at St. Charles for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Evans, Jr., of St. Louis were Christmas visitors here.

Miss Margaret Flynn is home from business college in St. Louis to spend the holidays.

Miss Beulah Smith was home from Oklahoma, where she is employed, for the holidays.

The young folks in the social whirl here had a dance party at the Masonic Hall Tuesday night.

Miss Bee-Casey, who is teaching in St. Louis, is spending the Christmas vacation at home here.

Bob Browne was home from St. Louis to spend Christmas with his father, Mr. R. S. Browne.

The Christmas mail here was heavy, but Postmaster Flynn and assistants handled it expeditiously.

Our good friend Mr. Thos. Ronquest of Bliss neighborhood was in to renew his subscription Saturday.

Mrs. S. B. Allison and children, Helen, Kathleen, Margaret and James, spent Saturday last in St. Louis.

They tell us that De Soto has absolutely lost its prestige as a railroad town. The repair shops there are still closed.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilcox of Belgrade were in Potosi Friday, enroute to St. Louis to spend Christmas with relatives there.

Misses Catherine, Rosemary, Margaret and Monica Connolly are all home from St. Louis for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Scott Baker has moved back to Potosi from Richwoods and is occupying the Long house in the north end of town.

Messrs. J. H. Crump and Wm. Conzelmann of the south end of the county made our sanctum an agreeable call Tuesday.

The Ford Garage got in a large stock of new Fords for holiday sale, and several made their way into the Christmas stocking.

Messrs. B. W. Smith of Rural Route 1 and Harry Allen of Bates Creek were visitors at this office Wednesday last to pay the printer.

The pupils of the 7th and 8th grade room of the public school had a large Christmas tree and gift distribution in their room last Friday afternoon.

McGready Richeson, who is working in St. Louis, and Willie Dearing, who is attending school at Maryville, Tenn., are with us for the holidays.

Mrs. T. R. Post and son Dwight of Irondale made this office a pleasant call last Friday. Mrs. Post was a schoolmate of ye editor back in the days of the old Bellevue Collegiate Institute of Caledonia.

Mr. W. A. Declue of Northcutt neighborhood was in to see as Tuesday and pay the printer. He said he had lately bought his father's old place about five miles from Northcutt, where he is now living.

Never was there a finer Christmas day than that of last Monday. The weather man "done" himself proud with his bright sunshine and balmy breezes. Outdoors was as much a joy as the indoor festivities of the season.

Our former townsman N. A. Maxwell was in Potosi last Thursday mingling with old friends. He is spending the holidays with relatives at Irondale. N. A. is traveling for a St. Louis house and said with the first of the year he would change his territory from Indiana to Kansas.

A Christmas entertainment and supper was given by the Sloan School near Caledonia on last Friday night. The program was splendid and well rendered. About twenty pies were sold, some bringing as high as \$5 and \$8, and one sold for \$10. The proceeds of the affair, \$32.10, will be divided between the school and the Sunday school.

Elder J. E. Hamlin, a noted Baptist divine of this part of the state, died at the home of his son, O. T. Hamlin, Springfield, Mo., on Dec. 16, aged 95. Elder Hamlin was in Potosi only a few weeks ago to conduct the dedication services of the new Potosi Baptist Church. This and other ministerial functions overtaxed his strength and he succumbed to the illness that terminated his life. His remains were interred at Springfield.

Misses Eula and Mary Toul are home from school in St. Louis for the holidays.

Mrs. Bolsh, an old resident of this county, died at her home in Irondale one day last week, aged about 80 years. The remains were buried at Hopewell. Deceased was twice married, her first husband being Wm. Foucher of Hopewell, who died many years ago. She was the grandmother of Mrs. John Patterson and Elwin Robinson of Potosi.

There died in St. Louis on Dec. 22 one William Einstein at the age of 91 years. Mr. Einstein was a well known mining engineer and some fifty or sixty years ago played quite an active part in mine development in this and adjoining counties. He opened the first silver mine in Missouri near Fredericktown something like a half a century ago.

J. J. Martin of Sullivan was thrown from his horse out on Fourche a Renault on Monday last week and had his collarbone broken. He was also bruised up considerably. Martin was out in that part of the county on a stock buying expedition when the accident befell him. He was taken to the home of David Hueckstep until he could recover sufficiently to be removed to his own home.

The Bismarck local is a speedy train, what? It was six and a half hours making the trip from St. Louis to Potosi last Saturday night. Ye editor was on board with a number of other Potosians, and we mentally cursed it at every stop for the wearisome delay. Its no wonder our people are taking the local jitney service to the city in preference, which makes the round trip in about six hours.

It is said the Legislature will be compelled to reduce the pension allowances to the blind of the state for the coming year, as the revenue derived from the special tax for the payment of these pensions will be insufficient to give each pensioner the stipulated allowance of \$30. There are 5,102 blind people in the state who are on the pension roll, 43 of whom are in this county. So far as we are aware, none live in Potosi.

We call attention to the announcement in this issue of B. F. McKinney of Irondale as a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Schools. Mr. McKinney is an old resident of this county and a teacher of wide experience. There is no question of his fitness for the office. He stands for the progressive upbuilding of the public schools and pledges himself to carry out this policy to the fullest extent of his official powers if he is elected County Superintendent. With this introduction we commend him to the voter of the county for their consideration.

Berryman Road Contract Let.

The contract for constructing 8,886 miles of new state road from Potosi west, on the route of the Potosi and Berryman road, was let here Friday to the St. Louis Construction Co., whose bid was \$38,740.07. Two other St. Louis concerns bid on the job—M. E. Gillies Co., \$43,567.35, and the Cooper Construction Service Co., \$46,443.03. Under the successful bid the cost of the work will run nearly \$13,000 per mile. It is not probable that the contractor will begin work before next spring.

The Barytes Market.

The American Paint Journal, St. Louis, of Dec. 11, says: "Business in the barytes market here is exceptionally good, so good, in fact, that producers can hardly accept any more orders for immediate delivery. One firm is so crowded that its shipping department is working day and night to keep up with the orders. Producers say they have never seen such a condition. There is a great scarcity of cars in the mine regions and with the demand for ore firm and the prices steadily advancing, barytes men do not know from day to day what price they are to pay for ore. However prices are not changing and contracts for 1923 are being extended to the trade, carrying a price guarantee covering the first three months of next year. Prices range from \$25 to \$28 a ton, f. o. b. St. Louis."

Hooten-Cole.

Two of our most popular young people, Mr. George Milton Hooten and Miss Cleo Vivian Cole, quietly and shyly eluded their many friends and stole away to the parsonage and were married by Rev. Tetley of the South Methodist Church of this city on Dec. 24, 1922. Mr. Hooten is a son of J. J. Hooten of Quitman, Ark., a wealthy land owner near Little Rock, and is taking a complete course at the Chillicothe Business College. The bride is the charming young daughter of Mrs. Blanche Cole of this city, and has recently graduated in a stenographic course at the same school. They will be at home at the bride's mother until Mr. Hooten finishes his course, then they will go to his home, where he will take a position in the Clevelands County Bank at Heber Springs, Ark. The Tribune joins their many friends in wishing them a long and prosperous life. Chillicothe (Mo.) Tribune.

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For County Superintendent of Schools

We are authorized to announce B. F. McKinney of Irondale as a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Public Schools at the April, 1923, school meetings.

Jamaica Ginger Boose Under Supreme Court Ruling

The Missouri Supreme Court in a decision handed down last Saturday holds the sale of Jamaica ginger a violation of the prohibition law. The case on which the Supreme Court established its ruling originated at Fulton, where a grocer named J. B. Fenley was convicted of a violation of the state dry law for selling Jamaica ginger as a beverage and fine \$150 in the circuit court. Fenley carried the case to the Supreme Court, where the verdict against him was sustained. It is likely that this ruling will apply to all similar extracts containing more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol, and dealers here in such articles should guide themselves accordingly.

The Fraser-Clarkson Wedding

The marriage of Miss Hallie Clarkson to Mr. Marlan H. Fraser in St. Louis on Dec. 16th was one of the elaborate social events of the season of that city. It was an evening wedding and was held in the ballroom of the St. Louis Woman's Club, which was festooned with smilax and garlanded with roses. An altar had been erected at one end of the hall before two large mirrors, flanked on either side by large French baskets of Columbia roses and baby's breath, and here the service was read by Rev. Dr. Ivan Lee Holt of St. John's Methodist Episcopal church.

The bride, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Clarkson, former residents of Potosi, and granddaughter of Mr. Jas. L. Smith of this place, was given away by her father. She was dressed in white velvet, made on long straight lines, with no trimming except for orange blossoms, which held up the skirt drapery at the side. The neck line was low and square and the sleeves short. A silver-lined velvet coat train hung from the shoulders, over which fell the tulle bridal veil, caught to her coiffure with a Russian beehive of orange blossoms. She carried orchids and lilies of the valley.

Mrs. John E. Mitchell, Jr., was maid of honor, and George W. Clarkson, Jr., brother of the bride, served as the groom's best man. A reception followed the ceremony. Some 350 guests were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Fraser are on a honeymoon trip to New York. When they return to St. Louis after an absence of several weeks, they will take an apartment at the Gatesworth Hotel, which is being prepared for them in the meantime.

The bride has many relatives and friends in Potosi who wish her much happiness in her new life.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Dec. 22—Bryan Dickson, Rivermines, and Tillie McMillan, Mineral Point.

Dec. 23—Dewey L. Wilson and Hatie Gilliam, both of Shirley.

Dec. 23—John E. Packett, Potosi, and Anna May Kelson, St. Louis.

Dec. 26—George W. Lachance, Leadwood, and Ella Trokey, Mineral Point.

Dec. 26—Walter A. Yates and May Heuer, both of Latty.

IDEA PROVIDES NEW THRILL

Scenic Railway Two Miles High Under Construction—Will Give Wonderful View of Mont Blanc.

Think of swooping through the air from Alpine crag to crag, on a real scenic railway over two miles high! This queerest of engineering projects, stranger than anything that has been attempted before, not only has proved feasible but part of the line is now in operation. It was under construction when the war broke out, but the suspended work has recommenced, and, according to press dispatches, the line soon will be open to tourists.

This unique railway, technically known as a teleferique, will run from Les Bessons in the Chamounix valley, France, up the Aiguille du Midi, 12,008 feet high, one of the jagged, precipitous needles in the Mont Blanc range. Tourists, in 30 minutes, will be transported from summer heat to the Arctic zone of Mont Blanc, swooping safely through the air while avalanches of snow and ice crash harmlessly by, hundreds of feet beneath the suspended cars.

The idea behind this novel engineering feat is to transport tourists skyward to the land of eternal snow and ice. Hundreds of thousands of tourists have seen Mont Blanc from below, but by means of this teleferique line many will be transported safely and comfortably to a spot where only the hardest of alpinists have ever ventured, and where visitors wishing to escape the heat of summer may indulge in all kinds of winter sports.—Scientific American.

Repatries Extraordinary.

"They were two brilliant minds," "That so? What was said?" "One called the other a liar."

"And?"

"And the other retorted, 'You're another!'—Detroit Free Press.

No Place for Rubber Stamp.

A written guaranty of the genuineness of a costly diamond would not be signed with a rubber stamp. If it were the purchaser would